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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT,
DERRINYS CROSS, DUBLIN



FROM OUR
**PARISH
TEAM**
The Dean writes

IT'S THAT TIME of year again. Holidays are but a happy memory, schools and colleges are in full swing, and university students are bracing themselves for the challenge ahead as they return from near and far after the long hot summer..

Here in our Parish new life is also stirring. We, the Sisters and Priests would dearly like that every person, young and old, would feel that you belong here - and proud of it. That you are free and welcome to join in any or all of the special opportunities for Prayer experience, Scripture study, Adult Religious Education, and the

different ministries we share in the Parish.

We are open to suggestions of all kinds. We are keenly aware that you have talents to share (more than you ever appreciate).

You may feel like offering some gentle criticism of what we do, and the way we do it. We want to hear that too, but we are highly unlikely to be at the Bar or the Wilton Centre to hear it. So how about telling your Pastoral Council Rep., write to the Editor of the Bulletin, or tell any of the priests what your thoughts are. This is your Parish - and we are here to serve you. Let's step together for the Glory of God.

Very sincerely,

Denis O'Donnell P.P.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Council held its first meeting since the summer recess on Monday 10th September.

The Novena, held last May, was evaluated at length. After much deliberation, it was planned to hold another Novena around the same time next year. Initial preparations for this will get under way immediately. However, it has yet to be decided whether or not the Novena would become an annual event.

The renovation to the Crypt, to provide better kitchen facilities, needs only a few more

minor adjustments before it will be finally ready for use.

The previous decision of the Council with regard to Altar Servers was again raised. It was decided to implement that historic decision, forthwith. (See Notice Board).

The biennial general meeting to make amendments to the Constitution of the Parish Council was arranged for Monday 26th November in the Crypt. This is a special meeting for all the parish to come and air their views. The final date for submission of amendments is 26th October.

WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to all our parishioners who were married during the Summer:

FRANK O'NEILL, 10 Wilton Gardens, who married Philomena Carey, Mahon.
AILEEN O'TOOLE, 22 Liam Lynch Park, who married Trevor Leacy, Ballincollig.

PAULA O'KEEFFE, 30 Kenley Close, who married Michael Moore, Bonaventure Place.

NOEL LINGWOOD, 22 Highfield Lawn, who married Marian McLoughlin, Halldene.

ANN TREACY, "Carhan", Wilton Road, who married Richard Collins, Curraheen Road.

ANGELA LAYTON, Bishopstown Avenue West, who married Elisha Dowling, Tralee.

HELEN FAHY, 48 Leesdale, who married Robert Ormond, Kerry Pike.

DECLAN RYAN, Laburnum Drive, who married Fiona Wall, Millstreet.

GERALDINE RYAN, "Glenstal", Magazine Road, who married Thomas O'Flaherty, Galway.

HELEN McCARTHY, "Padstow", Wilton Avenue, who married Thomas Coughlan, Ballinlough.

DEIRDRE LONG, 28 Parkway Drive, who married Edward Ryan, Barrack Street.

CATHERINE CASEY, "Innsbruck", Farranlea Grove, who married PATRICK HARRIS, 138 Leesdale.

PEARSE McCARTHY, "Hy Brazil", Laburnum Park, who married Carmel Griffiths, Ballinlough.

JEREMY BUCKLEY, "Maryland", Wilton Road, who married Alice Hayes, Ballinlough.

MARION CORKERY, Highfield Lawn, who married Declan Sheehy, Dublin.

MARIAN McCARTHY, "Woodfield", St. Clare's Avenue, who married Tom Jansson, Firgrove.



Rest in Peace

NOEL MURPHY, "Lios Muire", Bendemeer Park, died after a long struggle. An outdoor man all his life, he fought courageously against the illness which first afflicted him five years ago. Our sympathy goes to Breda, his wife, who supported him all the way, and his loving family.

SISTER M. AGNES of the Poor Clare Community, College Road, died during the summer. She had been suffering from a serious illness for some time. Our sincere sympathy to her mother, her family and to all the Community; may the Lord give her peace eternally.

JEREMIAH MOHALLY, Liam Lynch Park, died in Youghal after suffering for some time. He is sadly missed by his mother, brothers and sisters and family.

KEVIN HARTY, Farranlea Park, died in peace after a brief illness. His nephew, Fr. John Harty, OFM., celebrated the Requiem Mass. He was a gifted teacher who established lasting bonds of friendship with his students. Our condolences to his wife Stella, son Kevin and family.

TONY RYAN, Leesdale, died after a brief illness. He was an outstanding footballer in his day, having played with his club St. Vincents and his county Cork at the highest level. He was a faithful friend and loving father. He is sadly missed by his wife Noreen and family to whom we offer our sympathy.



COMMENT

ALTERNATIVE SLANTS by "THOMAS"

MANY PEOPLE WHO are unhappy in their work can relate it back to not being allowed make decisions. Maybe this is why women in the church are voicing dissent.

Canon Micheal Ó Dálaigh in his address on August 15th on women in the Church points out that the priesthood is not a superior status but one of service. Women should not therefore feel inferior if the priesthood is not open to them for fundamental theological reasons, he holds. All baptised christians, laity and clergy, are equal!

But who makes decisions in the Church - local and universal? Are women consulted before the "diocesan changes" are announced? I don't know. Is it also of fundamental theological import-

ance that only males go behind sealed doors to elect a new Pope? Will the Nuncio telephone as many women as men while the deliberations over a new Archbishop of Armagh continue?

I don't understand the fundamental dogma that tells us that a male priesthood is "normative for all time", so I can't argue with it. But maybe this would be acceptable if other decisions in the Church were not exclusive to males, many of whom don't even have the background influence of women in their daily lives.

By delegation of decisions to the laity, females (and lay males) will make an impact on Church life. This process could ferment upwards through parish and diocesan level to the top of the pyramid. Only when this has happened will we be able to address the issue of a female priesthood without distraction. A prerequisite is genuine, not nominal, relinquishing of power at local level.

IN SYMPATHY

We extend sincere sympathy to MRS. MOYRA BARRETT, "Moyne", Model Farm Road, on the death of her aunt.

To TOM DRIVER, Bishopstown Ave. on the death of his sister.

To SEAN QUIGLEY, Wilton Road, on the death of his brother.

To DESMOND O'MAHONY, The Ridgeway, on the death of his brother.

To BERTIE MEEHAN, Kenley Close, on the death of his brother in the boat accident off Ballycotton.

To MARGARET POWER, Kenley Crescent, on the death of her mother.

Earlier this Year

To WILLIAM O'LEARY, 140 Leesdale, on the death of his mother.

BAPTISM

WE EXTEND a welcome to:

MARY SINEAD PETRIE, 9 Kenley Road, daughter of Gordon and Sarah.

JOHN JOSEPH McLOUGHLIN, 33 Rossbrook, son of Joseph and Helen.

WELCOME



Lima Lawn

Apologies for the misprint in last Sunday's bulletin. The new neighbours should have read Donal and Angela McCleverty, 16 Lima Lawn.



Recruiting Time

Father John reports that there are some vacancies for new altar servers. From now on, all that is required is that the server be aged between 8 and 12, and be prepared to be part of a team.

The next meeting is planned for Saturday 29th September at 1.00 p.m. in the Sacristy. We ask the children of the parish wishing to become altar servers to come along.

Bulletin Editorial Team invites new members. The commitment would involve:

- (1) One evening in the month helping to produce a bulletin, and
- (2) One meeting in the month (normally the first Monday) for planning and discussion.

It's a bit of a challenge, but it's interesting!

Parish News

Congratulations to the residents of Farranlea on winning 3rd prize in the Tidy Districts competition. A fitting reward for constant care plus the regular community clean up!

We are delighted to hear that Anna Cummins of 20 Farranlea Grove received a special award for her beautiful garden. To anyone who has seen Anna's garden this is no surprise. Well done Anna!

The Double

We wish Cork well in the All-Ireland:
"Cork for the double!"

Important Collection

Our Bishop asks you to be generous in supporting the collection on Sunday 23rd September. It's in aid of our students for the priesthood, whose education costs the diocese thousands of pounds annually. So please, give generously, at the Church door collection next Sunday.

Unusual Notice

The parish has a pool table for sale! If you're interested, call to Charlie in the Sacristy or ring the Dean at 542972.

Parish Library

All are welcome. Just walk in and look around. You will find a wide variety of books on subjects such as Scripture, Prayer and Reflection, Searching for God, The Sacraments, Mary, Church History, etc. There is also a Children's section. And it's free. Opening hours:
Monday to Friday - 10.30 a.m.
Saturday - after Vigil Mass.
Sunday - after 9.00, 10.00 and 11.00 Masses.

Library Helpers, Please Note

A meeting will be held at the C.P. Centre this Wednesday 19th September at 8.00 p.m. Please do try to attend - everybody.

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Team

Rev. Denis O'Connor, P.P. 542972
Rev. Bernard Cotter, C.C. 343895
Rev. John Newman, C.C. 541572
Sister Ursula 545549.

Weekday Masses: 9.00, 10.00 and
7.30 p.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass: 7.30 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 9.00, 10.00, 11.00
and 12.15 p.m.

Urgent Calls: 274888.